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Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

SUBJECT: ESTERO BAY MARINE LABORATORY, INC.  
(Proposed corporate name - must include suffix)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

☐ \$70.00  
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee  
& Certificate

☐ \$122.50  
Filing Fee  
& Certified Copy

☒ \$131.25  
Filing Fee,  
Certified Copy  
& Certificate

FROM: THOMAS J. LEE  
Name (Printed or typed)

718 FISHERMAN'S WHARF  
Address

FORT MYERS BEACH, FL 33931  
City, State & Zip

(941) 765-8101  
Daytime Telephone number

NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
ESTERO BAY MARINE LABORATORY, INC.

(A Non-Profit Florida Corporation)

*The undersigned, acting as incorporators of a corporation pursuant to chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:*

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation is the ESTERO BAY MARINE LABORATORY, Incorporated.

**ARTICLE II**

The principle place of business and mailing address of the corporation is 718 Fisherman's Wharf, Fort Myers Beach, Florida, 33931.

**ARTICLE III**

The purpose of the corporation is to conduct research in general oceanography, hydrology, geology, and coastal ecology, with special emphasis on sub-tropical estuaries. To encourage, sponsor, and conduct college level undergraduate and graduate research projects in oceanography, hydrology, geology, and the marine sciences. To conduct related educational activities that enhance public understanding of the marine environment. Further, the purposes for which the corporation is organized are exclusively scientific and educational within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

**ARTICLE IV**

The initial officers and directors of the corporation are as shown below, with subsequent directors elected as stated in the corporate By-Laws:

Thomas J. Lee - President  
Hugh J. Mitchell-Tapping - Vice-President  
David S. Upton - Secretary/Treasurer

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#### ARTICLE V

The Corporate powers of this corporation are as provided in section 617.0302, Florida Statutes, except that, notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, this organization shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on by any organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law

#### ARTICLE VI

The name and address of the initial registered agent is:

Thomas J. Lee  
12307 McGregor Woods Circle  
Fort Myers, FL 33908

#### ARTICLE VII

The names and addresses of the incorporators for these Articles of Incorporation are:

Thomas J. Lee  
12307 McGregor Woods Circle  
Fort Myers, FL 33908

Hugh J. Mitchell-Tapping, Ph.D.  
9724 Foxglove Circle  
Fort Myers, FL 33919

David S. Upton  
298 Ohio Avenue  
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931

#### ARTICLE VIII

Upon dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal, state, or local government for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed

of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes

#### ARTICLE IX

The By-Laws of the corporation are to be made, altered, or rescinded by a majority vote of the Board Of Directors, or as provided for in said By-Laws.

The undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 18<sup>TH</sup> day of JUNE, 1996

Signature of Incorporator.

Thomas J. Lee  
Thomas J. Lee

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF  
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

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PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 617.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE  
UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF  
FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE  
REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the corporation is:

ESTERO BAY MARINE LABORATORY, INC.

(must include suffix)

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

THOMAS J. LEE

(NAME)

12307 MCGREGOR WOODS CIRCLE

(P.O. Box or Mail Drop Box **NOT** ACCEPTABLE)

FORT MYERS, FL 33908

(CITY/STATE/ZIP)

*Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.*

Thomas J. Lee  
(SIGNATURE)

June 18, 1996  
(DATE)